



University Residences

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***University Residences - Official Communication***

***Interim Sanction Notification***

[REDACTED]  
Fairhaven Complex [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

*\*This email is a follow-up to the letter I provided you in our meeting today in RD Barnes' office and contains no new information.\**

An incident occurred on February 18, 2018 12:15 PM at general central in which you may or may not have been involved in behavior that violates University Residences Policies listed in the Residential Community Standards.

Another student reported that you shared having thoughts about perpetrating a school shooting. Specifically, they reported that you shared you repeatedly ask a male friend if they would conduct a shooting with you.

Because of the potential severity of this incident, I am imposing the following interim sanction(s). This is simply a safeguard for you and the community until this matter can be resolved:

**Temporary Removal from Residence Halls**

**Start Date: February 19, 2018, End Date: April 19, 2018**

**You must move out of your room while this matter is resolved. You must turn in your room keys to the Desk or designated University Staff no later than 9pm by the start date listed above. You do not need to take all of your belongings with you. However, you will not be permitted back into your room assignment, unless accompanied by a staff member or police officer, until this matter is resolved. Therefore, you should take all personal**

**belongings and academic materials that you will need for at least a 5-day period.**

**If you need to return to your room to obtain something during this interim removal, please call University Police at (360)650-3555**

## **Trespass**

**Start Date: February 19, 2018, End Date: April 19, 2018**

**You are trespassed from all University Residence Halls and dining commons between the dates listed above. This is effective at 9pm on the start date.**

**If you are found in these areas, without a staff or police escort, University Police will be summoned to remove you. This trespass does NOT include Viking Commons, so you will be able to use your meal plan and continue eating on campus.**

If you violate any of these interim sanctions, you may be immediately removed from University Housing and/or University Police may be contacted, and that information will be forwarded to the Dean of Students office.

Since these are interim sanctions pending an official decision made about this situation, you do not have the right to appeal these sanctions. However, if you believe that a mistake has been made or you have any questions about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

You will be contacted separately by Michael Sledge, Assistant Dean of Students, regarding the date and time of a follow-up meeting to discuss next steps.

While these interim sanctions are in place and this matter is under review, you are suspended from your duties as an Resident Adviser, with pay, effective immediately. You must surrender your duty keys to the Resident Director on-call upon receipt of this letter. You are not to contact residents, or respond to crisis. If any residents contact, you please direct these students your Resident Director.

Until further notice, you will continue to receive a meal plan and your monthly stipend. You will receive no compensation for off-campus housing.

Please contact Michael Sledge by phone at (360)65-3706 during University business hours or email him at Michael.Sledge@wwu.edu if you have questions about this letter.

Sincerely,

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